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SUBJECT: USINT'S NEED FOR U.S. EXPORT STATISTICS

1. USINT WOULD BE VERY GRATEFUL IF WASHINGTON AGENCIES WERE TO ESTABLISH REGULAR SYSTEM FOR GETTING MONTHLY STATISTICAL BREAKDOWNS OF US EXPORTS TO IRAQ PASSED TO USINT. UNDERSTAND BUREAU OF CENSUS MAKES FOUR DIGIT SIC FIGURES AVAILABLE TO USDOC, USDA AND STATE ON MIC OFILM ABOUT FIFTH DAY OF MONTH X-PLUS-TWO COVERING MONTH X. UNDERSTAND USDA ANALYSTS USING SEVEN DIGIT BREAKDOWNS FOR SOME COUNTRIES. WOULD ALSO LIKE TO RECEIVE USDOC/CAGNE'S MONTHLY COMPARATIVE TABLES ON US TRADE WITH NORTH AFRICA/NEAR EAST. LATEST STATISTICS WE HAVE RECEIVED ARE FOR NOVEMBER 1974. REQUEST DECEMBER AND JANUARY ASAP.

2. IRAQI MARKET EXPANDING SO FAST AND US PENETRATION SO UNEVEN IN COMPOSITION THAT WITHOUT READILY AVAILABLE U.S. EXPORT STATISTICS, USINT IS FLYING BLIND IN TRYING FOLLOW TRENDS--SINCE IRAQI IMPORT STATISTICS ALWAYS MONTHS BEHIND. ALSO WANT TO BE ABLE SWAP STATISTICS WITH COMATTS OF OECD AND OTHER

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COUNTRIES TO HELP OURSELVES AND WASHINGTON AGENCIES

DEVELOP MORE QUICKLY A FEEL FOR SHAES
OF THE IRAQI
MARKET ENJOYED BY VARIOUS SUPPLIERS.
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